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FDA Commissioner Jane Henney
FDA; 5600 Fishers Lane
Room 14-71
Rockville, MD 20857

Dear Commissioner Henney:

This is in reference to Docket 99P-0033/CP 1:

My daughter who lives in Duluth, Minnesota tried to purchase feed for her chickens and found out the feed actually had animal by products in it! She was appalled as was I.

I believe there should be no blood and blood products from all mammals, including pigs and cows and not be in animal feed and pet foods. Please put an end to this practice of feeding dead pigs, horses, and other animals to other farm animals. Cows are not meat eaters by nature and to feed them products containing animals. Humane Farming Association has a petition to the Centers for Disease Control to determine the incidence of transmissible spongiform encephalopathies among the human population of the U.S. They are asking to direct all state medical officers to engage in a reporting process, similar to the reporting requirements of other infectious and transmissible diseases to the CDC for the purpose of establishing a national cumulative database and reporting system.

I believe this is a petition that demands the public should be aware that animals that they eat are being fed ground up animal parts. Then not to know what eating dead animal parts in the food that is being fed these products is doing to these animals as well of what harm it is doing to people who eat the animals that are being fed dead animals! This could jeopardize our health, couldn't it?

I am asking you to act upon the HFA's petition to put an end to the practice of feeding our farm animals feed that has animals products in it. I do not know of one reason why animals are being fed this type of food. I mean, they never use to do this did they? So why now? farm animals are not meat eaters and they do not need to be fed animals. that is put in their feed.

Thank you for reading my letter.

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